



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
SUPERFUND SITE STRATEGY RECOMMENDATION - REGION 06



Site Name: La Jara Mine - NM0075

CERCLIS ID#: N/A

Alias Site Name: Zia, La Jara No. 1-9

Address: Latitude 35 degrees 16'03.49" Longitude 107 degrees 46'25.07"

City/County or Parish/State/Zip: Cibola County, New Mexico

Report Type: AUM SA Report

Date: 04/15/08

Author: NMEMNRD

RECOMMENDATION:

<input type="checkbox"/> 1. No Further Remedial Action Planned Under Superfund (NFRAP)	<input type="checkbox"/> 2. Further Investigation Needed Under Superfund												
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3. Action Deferred to: <input type="checkbox"/> RCRA <input type="checkbox"/> NRC <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> USFS													
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4. Site Being Addressed Under the State Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP): <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No													

NOTIFY AUTHORITY:

<input type="checkbox"/> Removal	<input type="checkbox"/> RCRA	<input type="checkbox"/> TSCA	<input type="checkbox"/> CAA	<input type="checkbox"/> SMCRA
<input type="checkbox"/> Remedial	<input type="checkbox"/> State/Tribe	<input type="checkbox"/> NPDES	<input type="checkbox"/> NRC	<input type="checkbox"/> Resource Trustee: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> CERCLA Enforcement	<input type="checkbox"/> Federal Facility	<input type="checkbox"/> UIC	<input type="checkbox"/> SPCC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <u>USFS</u>

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DISCUSSION:

The New Mexico Energy Minerals and Natural Resources Department, Mine and Minerals Division (MMD) conducted a site assessment on April 15, 2008 at the La Jara Mine site. The mine operated as a dry mine. The mine consists of one open excavation 75 feet by 125 feet and 8 feet deep. According to records, the mine was operated from 1952 to 1960. MMD observed approximately 1,200 cubic yards of waste rock or overburden in 20 individual piles. A maximum gamma radiation reading of 32 uR/hr was measured. There are no wells or residences noted within one mile of the mine site. The land surface and mineral estate are held by the United States Forest Service.

EPA is deferring the La Jara Mine to the USFS for the investigation into the impacts from the mining since the mine is located on USFS lands.

APPROVALS:

Report Reviewed by: <u>Lisa Marie Price</u> (Site Assessment Manager)	Signature: <u><i>Lisa Marie Price</i></u>	Date: <u>1/31/12</u>
Disposition Approved by: <u>John Meyer</u> (Section Chief 6SF-TR)	Signature: <u><i>John Meyer</i></u>	Date: <u>2/2/12</u>